

WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA

LOUIS H. BRUNI Webb County Judge (956) 523-4600

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LEO FLORES Webb County Auditor (956) 523-4016

PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

Webb County Courthouse 1000 Houston Street, 2ND Floor Laredo, Texas 78040 March 27, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. and continuing March 28, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. if necessary

- 1. Call to order by the Honorable County Judge, Louis H. Bruni
- 2. Roll call by the Honorable County Clerk, Margie Ibarra
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- **4.** Approval of Minutes March 13, 2006
- **5.** Approval of Bills, Payroll and Monthly Reports
- **6.** Communications
- 7. Public Comment- This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a Witness Card specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on. Each public member will be allowed a total of three (3) minutes within which to make any/all public comments.

COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING:

HONORABLE LOUIS H. BRUNI, WEBB COUNTY JUDGE

- **8.** Discussion and possible action to hire a Public Information Officer from among respondents to our requests for qualifications, as heretofore solicited, including the designation of office space, setting of salary, and any other matter incident thereto.
- Discussion and possible action to direct the Webb County Purchasing Agent to solicit Requests for Qualifications for a Human Resources Director, and any other matter incident thereto.
- **10.** Discussion and possible action to replace County Judges appointee to the Grievance Committee and appoint Mr. Juan Narvaez.
- **11.** Discussion and possible action to review and evaluate current system for appointing private attorneys to civil and criminal cases and corresponding fee schedule.
- **12.** Status report from the Webb County Sheriff regarding current security plan for providing security to all county buildings with possible action.

HONORABLE JERRY GARZA, COMMISSIONER PCT.3

- 13. Staff report on the status of Laredo Manor Apartments on services to be dispensed at the Community Center Laredo Manor Apartments with the discussion and possible action to authorize up to 8,000.00 to provide nutritional services to the Laredo Manor Community Center. Funds will be taken from account # 001-2100-03
- 14. Discussion and possible action to authorize Community Action Agency and Webb County Attorney's office to enter an agreement with the Laredo Manor Apartments to allow CAA office space to provide services, including but not limited to elderly nutrition, utility assistance, weathering, heating, cooling and any other services offered by CAA. And to authorize the county judge to sign all documents or any other matter incident thereto.

- **15.** Discussion and possible action to approve and appropriate up to \$500,00.00 thousand dollars for the construction of the neighborhood center at Buenos Aires and approving formulation of an interlocal agreement with the City of Laredo to accomplish same. Funds will be taken from precinct # 3 2002-2003 bond series.
- **16.** Discussion and possible action to change slot # 2288 from receptionist to center coordinator. There will be no impact to the general fund and salary will remain the same.
- **17.** Discussion and possible action to fill slot # 2287 and slot # 2288 for the Buenos Aires Community Center effective March 28, 2006.
- **18.** Discussion and possible action to authorize \$ 15,000.00 for a rock wall for Camp Huisache. Funds to be taken from precinct 3 Park & Recreation Bond Series 2002-2003. (Co-sponsored with Commissioner Frank Sciaraffa).

MEDIA BREAK	

ELECTED OFFICIALS

HONORABLE RICK FLORES, WEBB COUNTY SHERIFF

19. Discussion and possible action to approve the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division to the State Criminal Justice Planning (421) Fund (State) and authorization to designate the Webb County Judge as the grantee's authorized official to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency. This grant does not require cash match.

HONORABLE HOMERO RAMIREZ, WEBB COUNTY ATTORNEY

- **20.** Discussion and possible action to ratify the interlocal agreement with the City of Laredo as Administrator for the Regional Planning Commission for an eighteen month period beginning September 1, 2005 to August 31, 2007, for the provision of 9-1-1 service and public safety answering point equipment, and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.
- 21. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Maintenance Agreement with Office Communications Systems, Inc. for one (1) Toshiba e281c Digital Copier for the Risk Management Office for a three (3) year period (March 27, 2006 through March 26, 2009) with copy overages invoiced at \$0.0085 per black and white print copy and \$0.0850 per color copy and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Risk Management, Account No. 001-0105-6402 (Repairs and Maintenance)]
- 22. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Lease Agreement with Office Communications Systems, Inc. for one (1) Toshiba e281c Copier to be located at Risk Management Office for a thirty-six month period (March 27, 2006 through March 26, 2009) in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$166.00) per month and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Risk Management Acc. No. 001-0105-6014 (Equipment Rental)].
- 23. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Maintenance Agreement with Office Communications Systems, Inc. for one (1) Toshiba ES 352 Digital Copier for the Juvenile Department for a one (1) year period (March 27, 2006 through March 26, 2007) with copy overages invoiced at \$0.079 per black and white print copy and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Juvenile Department, Account No. 001-1301-6402 (Repairs and Maintenance)]
- 24. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Letter of Agreement between Webb County for the Community Action Agency and Reliant Energy Retail Services, LLC CARE For the "Reliant Energy Retail Services, LLC CARE Program" whereby Reliant Energy will provide EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$8000.00) funding to Webb County Community Action Agency to be utilized to help the needy pay home energy expenses for a term beginning March 27, 2006 and ending on December 31, 2006 and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Community Action Agency, Acct. No. 902-4202-7004]

- **25.** Discussion and possible action to accept 2 rights of way, out of Ranchitos Los Centenarios Subdivision, one (1) right of way out of D-5 Acres Subdivision, and one (1) right of way out of San Carlos Phase II Subdivision and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.
- 26. Discussion and possible action to enter into a two (2) year subscriber agreement with Habla-Tex to provide Nextel Communication Services for two Nextel walkie-talkie phones. The cost of the two (2) Nextel walkie-talkie phones is TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE DOLLARS AND NINETY-SIX CENTS (\$229.96) with a monthly communication air-time service fee for the phone of EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS AND NINETY-SEVEN CENTS (\$83.97) for a total cost of TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND TWENTY-FOUR CENTS (\$2,245.24) over the term of the agreement, and authorizing the county judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Facilities Department, Account No. 001-0109-6004-1 (Telephone/Maintenance)]
- 27. Discussion and possible action to enter into a State of Texas Rental Contract with Xerox Copy Connection for one (1) WC15PL w/ ADF Copier to be located at the Head Start Office on a month to month basis in the amount of FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS AND FORTY-ONE CENTS (\$56.41) per month and ONE CENT per copy and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Head Start Acct. No. 903-4208-6014 (Equipment Rental)].
- 28. Discussion and possible action to approve the submission of the Justice Assistance Grant Application for the amount of TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$2, 283,598.00) to the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division for the South Texas Anti-Violence Task Force. Grant will pay for salaries, travel and training, equipment, and supplies of the Task Force and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by South Texas Anti-Violence Task Force, Account No. 297-1100-3532 (Cash Match) and 297-1100-3501 (Grant Revenue)]
- 29. Discussion and possible action to adopt a Webb County Resolution to approve the submission of the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) application to the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, for the District Attorney's South Texas Anti-Violence Task Force. Grant will pay for salaries, travel and training, equipment, and supplies of the Task Force and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by South Texas Anti-Violence Task Force, Account No. 297-1100-3501 (Grant Revenue)]

HONORABLE JOE RUBIO, WEBB COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

30. Discussion and possible action authorizing the county auditor to continue paying the salaries, travel, and operating expenses of the, Laredo Multi-Agency Narcotics Task Force which will change name to, The South Texas Anti-Violence Task Force, which will be under a new grant the Justice Assistance Grant Program (federal CFDA-16.738) from the Governor's Criminal Justice Division. This grant will run from April 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007.

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

- **31.** Discussion and possible action to enter into a grant agreement between the State of Texas, acting through the Texas Department of Transportation and Webb County Community Action Agency for \$240,596.00 in federal funds to be used in the operation of the El Aguila Rural Public Transportation Program.
- **32.** Discussion and possible action to submit an application to the City of Laredo for third party funding for the Elderly Nutrition Program in the amount of \$50,000.00, for FY-2006-2007.
- **33.** Discussion and possible action of approval to grant the County Auditor authority to expend funds from the Weatherization Program effective March 31, 2005, pending the receipt of all required documents for the new program year.
- **34.** Discussion and possible action to submit an application to the City of Laredo for third party funding for the Meals On Wheels program, in the amount of \$50,000.00 for FY-2006-2007.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

35. Discussion and possible action to proclaim April 2006 as Fair Housing Month and April 17th – 21st as Fair Housing Week and designating the Webb County Community Action Agency responsible for monitoring Fair Housing in Webb County.

ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATION

36. Discussion and possible action to authorize and establish the Main and Temporary Branch Early Voting Polling Sites for April 11, 2006 Joint Primary Runoff Elections within Webb County, Texas pursuant to Chapter 85, Texas Elections Code.

ENGINEER

- **37.** Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing the Conveyance of the Old Wastewater Treatment Plant Site known as Tract I as described on Park Deed dated February 15, 2002, in which Webb County granted the surface only to the City of El Cenizo.
- **38.** Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing the Purchasing Agent and the County Engineer to advertise for bids the removal of the 150,000 gallon per day (gpd) Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and the demolition of the El Cenizo WWTP.
- 39. Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing the County Engineer and the Road & Bridge Superintendent to install storm drainage culverts at the west end of Cadena Street in El Cenizo as per the plans and specifications prepared by Gonzalez Engineering for the TXDOT Border Colonias Access Program El Cenizo Paving Project.
- **40.** Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing the County Engineer and the Road & Bridge Superintendent to grade and install a drainage swale on Tracts I & II as described on Park Deed dated February 15, 2002, in which Webb County granted the surface only to the City of El Cenizo.
- 41. Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing Final Payment and Retainage in the amount of \$5,491.80 to Dannenbaum Engineers for the inspection of six construction projects of the Texas Water Development Board water and sewer improvements at El Cenizo and Rio Bravo. This is subject to the Texas Water Development Board's approval.

HEAD START

42. Proclamation for "April as Head Start Month in Webb County" presented by Head Start Director.

<u>INDIGENT</u>

- **43.** Discussion and possible action to fill slot #1891, (Front Desk Coordinator) from within the County starting at \$8.25 and up to \$ 9.47 per hour depending on experience effective March 27, 2006.
- **44.** Discussion and Possible Action to approve the following changes for the Webb County Indigent Services Dep. eff. March 27, 2006. Both salary increases are within each slot budgeted amount. Salary increase for Slot #1292 (Eligibility Worker IV) from \$12.60 to \$13.66 and for Slot #0596 (Screener 1) from \$14.70 to \$14.90.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

45. Discussion and possible action to approve the following changes for personnel of the Webb County Public Defender's Office effective March 27, 2006. The funds will be taken from year to date savings in the personnel budget and the 05'-06' budget remains unchanged.

[Co-sponsored by the Honorable Frank Sciaraffa, Commissioners Pct. 1 and the Honorable Judith G. Gutierrez, Commissioner Pct. 2]

PURCHASING

46. Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchasing agent to purchase the following equipment through the Department of Information Resources state contracts for the Sheriff's Department GIS initiative project; Grant Number SF-06-A10-17771-01:

Equipment: 303-2202-8410

Qty.	Description	Vendor/DIR#	Amount
1	Gateway 9510 SATA (Server)	Gateway DIR-SDD-220	\$ 6,821.45
1	ESRI Software Floating License	ESRI DIR2002MPA-440	\$11,342.97)9
1	HP 815mfp color plotter & Cartridges	Val.Com DIR-VPC-03-007	\$17,964.00
		Sub-total	\$36,128.42
GIS Mapping Materials; 303-2202-6223			alance: \$17,577.00
Qty.	Description	Vendor/DIR#	Amount
5	HP Compaq Notebook	HP DIR-VPC-03-006	\$11,495.00
1	HP vp6300 Projector & Case	HP DIR-VPC-03-007	\$ 1,377.00
1	Pocket Jet 3plus printer & Latitude D610	Dell	\$ 2,004.64
		Sub-total	\$14,876.64
Supplies 3 03-2202-6001		Ва	alance: \$ 4,349.00_
1	Dell Latitude D610 Car Kit Ford 150	Dell	\$ 2,652.90
		Grand Total	\$53,657.96

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- **47.** Discussion and possible action to award the disposition of one (1) locomotive to the highest bidder, Hugo Chavarria Rodriguez in the amount of \$2,200.00 from CABCO Auctioneering Services Inc.
- **48.** Discussion and possible action to approve the lease purchase of one (1) digital copier in the amount of \$184.07 monthly for 36 months from XEROX Corporation for the CAA-El Aguila Transportation. 001-6002-6403
- **49.** Discussion and possible action to award the following bids for the CAA-Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP):

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• Bid No. 2006-11
                       "Water Heaters"
                       "Refrigerators"
• Bid No. 2006-12
• Bid No. 2006-13
                       "Space Heaters"
                       "Window A/C Units"
• Bid No. 2006-14
                       "Heat Pumps"
• Bid No. 2006-15
• Bid No. 2006-16
                       "Evaporative Cooler"
                       "Central Heating/Cooling Units"

    Bid No. 2006-17

• Bid No. 2006-18
                       "Water Heater Shed"
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- **50.** Discussion and possible action to approve an award proposal P-2006-13 Engineering service for the Rail District Master Plan and Other Improvements.
- **51.** Discussion and possible action to approve an award proposal P-2006-08 Youth Village Project, New Juvenile Center.
- **52.** Discussion and possible action to approve Change Order No. 1 Improvements to Judge Vasquez Office, Justice Center 3rd floor from Zertuche Construction in the amount of \$2,400.00. 001-0105-6032-04.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 53. Discussion and possible action regarding Civil Action No. L-05-CV-0076; <u>Luis Montes vs. Webb County, Texas and Cynthia Mares</u>; In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Laredo Division. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)].
- 54. Discussion and possible action regarding Civil Action No. I:04-CV170; <u>Jesus Eligio "Chuy" Cantu vs. Webb County</u>, <u>Texas and Webb County</u> <u>Commissioners Court</u>; In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Laredo Division [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)].
- 55. Discussion and possible action regarding re-employment, termination of employment, and/or employee grievance of former Facilities Department employee, Fernando Gonzalez, Jr. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).]
- 56. Adjournment

The Webb County Commissioners Court hereby reserves the right to go into executive session at any time during this public meeting, if such is requested by the County Attorney or other legal counsel for the County, pursuant to his or her duty under Section 551.071(2) of the Government Code, to consult privately with his or her client on an item on the agenda, or on a matter arising out of such item.

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Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid of service such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or need large print are requested to contact the court administrator at (956) 523-4622.

DATED THIS DA	AY OF MARCH, 2006
By: YOLANDA L. CARRIL COURT ADMINISTRA	

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE AND POSTING

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above notice of meeting of the Webb County Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse door of Webb County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the day of, 2006 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.			
DATED THIS	DAY OF	_, 2006	
COUNTY CLERK, WEB	B COUNTY, TEXAS		
BY:			